GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

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BIO-DIVERSITY BOARD
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided to set up a Bio-Diversity Board under the Ministry of Agriculture in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any request has been received from any State Government or any other organizations to set up such a Board; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIORNMENT & FORESTS(SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a)to(d) No,Sir.There is no proposal to set up a Bio-Diversity Board under the Ministry of Agriculture,and no request has been received by them from any State Government or any other organizations to set up such a Board.

However,under the Biological Diversity Act, 2002 enacted by the Ministry of Environment and Forests,Government of India,a National Biodiversity Authority has been set up, and State Biodiversity Boards (SBBs) are to be constituted by all the State Governments.So far 18 states have set up SBBs. These are: Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Goa, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Manipur, Mizoram, Nagaland, Punjab, Sikkim, Uttar Pradesh, Uttaranchal, West Bengal.